

Restriction Requirement and Election

The pending restriction requirement requires election of one of the following Groups:

Group I, claim(s) 1-19, 24-27, 30, 31, 34-40 and 49 drawn to an acid addition salt and compositions comprising the same.

Group II, claim(s) 20-23, 41-48, drawn to a process for preparing an acid addition salt.

Group III, claim(s) 29, 33 and 50, drawn to a method of treating a condition using an acid addition salt.

Group IV, claim(s) 32, drawn to a method for in vitro diagnosis.

Applicants elect without traverse Group I, claim(s) 1-19, 24-27, 30, 31, 34-40 and 49 (drawn to an acid addition salt and compositions comprising the same).

Remarks

Applicants have elected Group 1. Applicants understand that, if claims to products of processes claimed in the withdrawn process claims are allowed, then the withdrawn process claims will be rejoined. Applicants reserve the right to pursue the withdrawn subject matter in one or more continuing applications.

Applicants request examination of the above-referenced application. Prompt consideration and allowance of the present application are therefore earnestly solicited.

Respectfully submitted,

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